REMARKS

In the Action dated May 30, 2008, the Examiner indicated that claims 16-22, 24-33, 35-41, 43, and 46-57 are allowed, claims 23, 24, 42, 44, and 45 are withdrawn, claims 38 and 39 are objected due to informalities and claims 58-71 are rejected under 37 C.F.R. § 1.112, second paragraph as being indefinite, but would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the § 112 rejection. The Applicant appreciates the Examiner's indication of allowability of the claims.

In this response, the Applicant has corrected informalities of claims 38 and 39 and has amended claim 58 to make clear that the claim is directed to the combination, and thus the preamble has been revised to recite "58.   (Currently amended) [A system for] An aircraft fire prevention system [for an aircraft] comprising:" This is believed to overcome the Examiner's rejection, if it was correctly understood by the Applicant.

In addition, in response to the Notice of Non-Compliance, Applicant has further amended claims 49, 56 and 60 to specify the lower limit of the claimed oxygen content range to be 12%, rather than 9%. This change is being made to correct an inadvertent indefiniteness issue just discovered, because the independent claim from which each of claims 49, 56 and 60 depends has a lower limit of 10%. These amendments are supported by the specification and are not believed to raise any new matters regarding patentability, particularly in view of the lower limit of 12% recited in allowed claims 16 and 28, among others.
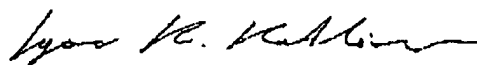
Applicant was assisted in the preparation of this response by patent attorney Robert M. Isackson, Registration Number 31,110.

CONCLUSION

Applicant believes he provided sufficient argumentation in favor of his invention. Applicant respectfully requests to withdraw the remaining rejection of the pending claims and grant a patent.

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